

July 30.

## STEAM TRAWLER BOTHERS

### Salt Bank Skippers Say Quero Fishing Almost Spoiled.

#### Capt. Jesse Morton Brings Late News of the Fleet.

Sch. Hazel R. Hines, Capt. Jesse Morton, arrived yesterday afternoon from a salt bank trip, with a fine fare of 260,000 pounds of salt cod.

Capt. Morton reports finishing up on Grand Bank and having a few sets on Quero bank, on the way home, finding but few fish on the latter ground.

He reports that schs. Judique and Georgie Campbell baited at St. Pierre July 14, the former having 160,000 pounds of salt cod and going back to the Grand Bank.

On Quero bank, he spoke sch. Blanche, which had baited with squid at Chester, N. S., and was getting a few fish. On the eastern shoal water he saw sch. Mildred Robinson and five or six other dory handliners, but did not speak them. On the Middle Ground, a week ago Tuesday he spoke the dory handliner Titania, Capt. Patrik Vale, with 160,000 pounds of salt cod. Capt. Vale reported no fish on the Middle Ground.

On the way home he also spoke sch. Wm. H. Rider, one of the Georges handline fleet, on Le Have bank. She had 23,000 pounds of salt cod. Her skipper reported squid there and he had jigged some the night before. He was going to jig one more night and then go to Georges.

In regard to the scarcity of cod on the Middle Ground and shoal waters of Quero, Capt. Morton says that he spoke one of the big Lunenburg bankers a few days ago and her captain was complaining bitterly of the work of the steam trawlers, claiming that they swept these small shoal fishing places clean and broke up the fishing, especially for the dory handliners who had to depend on these spots, not being able to fish in over 50 fathoms.

Capt. Morton also reports squid plenty on St. Pierre and Grand Bank, but scarce to the westward.

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## LARGE AND MEDIUMS.

### Mackerel Fares Arrived Today Have Some of Each.

#### Four Trips at This Port and Three Arrive at Boston.

Seven seiners with fares, four at this port and three at Boston is the early morning record of the mackerel catchers today, all from the Rips.

Four of the fresh trips are fair sized while three are small. The captains bring the same reports of lots of schools of wild fish between the South Shoal lightship and Rose and Crown shoal.

The arrivals at this port are as follows:

Sch. Effie M. Prior, Capt. Elroy Prior, 5000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell, Capt. Herbert Thompson, 3000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Illinois, Capt. Joseph J. Lyle, 1000 large fresh mackerel, 30 barrels salt mackerel.

Sch. George Parker, Capt. Joseph E. Graham, 1200 large fresh mackerel, 22 barrels salt mackerel.

The following vessels are reported at Boston:

Sch. Arthur Binney, Capt. G. Melvin McClain, 5000 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Harmony, Capt. Freeman Mason, 7000 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Reuben Cameron, 15,000 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Ingomar, Capt. Wallace Parsons, shared \$55 on her recent mackerel seining trip.

Fresh mackerel from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia are beginning to show up again at Boston, 30 barrels arriving there yesterday.

Sch. Monarch steamed to Boston today to get her seineboat, in which a gasoline engine for pursuing the seine has been installed.

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## THE FIONA NOT YET HEARD FROM.

### Cruiser Perhaps Lost In the Hurricane Off Labrador.

St. Johns, July 30.—No tidings have been received of the whereabouts of cruiser Fiona, with Sir William MacGregor, governor of Newfoundland, on board, and the anxiety felt for the safety of the vessel on account of the report of a severe northeast hurricane off the Labrador coast continues unabated. When last reported the Fiona was off the southern Labrador coast.

In the storm which swept Tinker Harbor, wrecking seventeen vessels, as previously reported, eight vessels and three men are also said to have been lost at Byam bay.

No reports from the northern Labrador coast have been received.

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## AT THE MAGDALENES.

### Mackerel Again Reported Plenty by Dominion Fish Bureau.

The traps at Liverpool, N. S., took 10 barrels of mackerel on Monday. At Lunenburg, the same day, 300 mackerel were taken in traps, while mackerel were fair at Port Hood, plenty at Shippegan and also plenty at Grindstone, Magdalene Islands, according to the Dominion Fish Bureau report.

The crew of sch. Monarch, Capt. John F. Vautier, shared \$125.59 as the result of their recent fresh mackerel trip.

Sch. Madonna, Capt. Charles Stewart, arrived here yesterday afternoon with 3500 fresh large mackerel caught near the South Shoal lightship.

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## Much in Demand.

Trade in albacore and horse mackerel at Boston, is increasing as the season advances. The traps at Nahant and Cape Cod sent up ten big fish yesterday.

## Bait.

Plenty of bluebacks at Provincetown. Sloop Alliance was here last evening with 81 barrels of bluebacks. The traps hereabouts are not getting any squid now.

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## Halibut Sale.

The halibut of sch. Gossip sold to the American Halibut Co. at 7 1-2 cents per pound for white and 5 1-2 cents for gray.

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## Good Stock.

Sch. Vera, Capt. Martin Gracia, stocked \$1600 as the result of her recent fresh halibut trip, the crew sharing \$33 clear.

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## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Hazel R. Hines, salt banking, 260,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Gossip, shacking, 60,000 lbs. salt cod, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish, 2000 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell, Rips, 3000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Effie M. Prior, Rips, 5000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. George Parker, Rips, 1200 large fresh mackerel, 22 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Illinois, Rips, 1000 large fresh mackerel, 30 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Constellation, seining.

Sch. John M. Keen, Rips, 25,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Mabel D. Hines, salt banking, 190,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sloop Alliance, shore, 81 bbls. bluebacks.

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## Today's Fish Market.

Round pollock, 75 cts. per cwt.; gutted 80 cts.

Salt bank cod, large \$3.75, mediums, \$3.10

Salt Rips, cod, large, \$4.20, mediums, \$3.25; snapper \$2.

Salt Georges cod, large \$4.25, mediums, \$3.25.

Salt bank dory handline cod, \$3.87 1-2 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for mediums.

Grand Bank fresh cod, \$2.00 per cwt. for large, \$1.00 for mediums.

Bank halibut 6 cts. per lb. for white and 4 cts. for gray.

Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock, \$1.50.

Fresh mackerel, 15 cts. each for large and 8 cents for mediums.

Salt medium mackerel, \$11 per bbl.

Large salt mackerel, \$9.50 per bbl.

Late caught salt mackerel, \$12 per bbl.

Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; Eastern cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.60; cusk, \$1.65; haddock, \$1.00; hake, 85 cts.; pollock, to 80 cts.

## Boston.

Sch. Francis P. Mesquita, 8000 haddock, 6,000 cod, 3 swordfish, 1000 cusk, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Emily Cooney, 48 swordfish.

Sch. Emily Sears, 51 swordfish.

Sch. Dixie, 3000 cod, 1500 pollock.

Sch. Nokomis, 25 swordfish.

Sch. Marion, 1400 cod, 500 pollock.

Steamer Bryda F., bluebacks.

Sch. Charles A. Dyer, bluebacks.

Sch. Mary E. Harty, 5000 large fresh mackerel, 10,000 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 28,000 cod.

Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 25,000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Winifred, 10,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 15,000 hake.

Sch. Harmony, 3500 large fresh mackerel, 3500 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 20,000 haddock, 40,000 cod.

Sch. Arthur Binney, 2500 large fresh mackerel, 2500 fresh medium mackerel.

Steamer Spray, 23,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2500 hake.

Sch. Mary A. Whalen, 14,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 12,000 hake.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, 12,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 5000 hake, 15,000 pollock.

Sch. Gov. Russell, 3000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Viking, 42 swordfish.

Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, 28,000 cod.

Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 56 swordfish.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 15,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Flora S. Nickerson, 20,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Juniata, 6000 haddock, 4900 cod, 6000 hake.

Haddock, \$2.50 to \$2.60 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.25 to \$2.50; market cod, \$1.50; pollock, \$1; swordfish, 9 cts. per lb.; fresh mackerel, large, 17 cts. each, medium, 9 cts. each.

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## TOOK BIG JUMP.

### alt Mackerel Rose \$5 Per Barrel in Two Days.

#### Consumers' Fish Company Bought Trip at \$14.50 Per Barrel.

Salt mackerel have taken one of the biggest jumps on record in the past two days, going up fully \$5 per barrel in that time.

On Tuesday the last sales were \$9.25 per barrel, barrel for barrel. On Wednesday Fred Bradley paid \$12 per barrel for the lot of sch. Monarch, and this morning Manager Edward K. Burnham of the Consumers Fish Co. bought the fare of sch. Illinois, 30 barrels, after spirited bidding, at \$14.50 per barrel, barrel for barrel. These recent lots of fish show fat and are in fine order.

The knowing ones say that the dealers have got to have some salt mackerel, and that the end is not yet in the line of price raising.

Sch. Avalon, Capt. Christopher Carrigan, was at Newburyport on Tuesday or yesterday with 2000 large fresh mackerel.

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## Mackerel on the Cape Shore

Mackerel still linger on the Cape Shore. About 40 barrels were taken at Liverpool, N. S., on Tuesday and at Lunenburg two traps took 500 fish. Mackerel are reported fair at Port Hood.



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**STUCK TO POST.****Rudder Fish Followed Sch. Ingomar Way Up on Railways.****Mackerel Found Wedged Between Rudder Post and Port.**

A curious sight was witnessed Wednesday at high water, when sch. Ingomar was towed across the harbor from Cunningham & Thompson's wharf to the Rocky Neck railways, four rudder fish following all the way across, hugging close to the rudder, even chasing the vessel up on the railways and not leaving her until the rudder came out of the water, when they quickly disappeared.

Rudder fish are known to follow vessels on the high seas for weeks and months and whole trips, staying right close to the rudder, but as far as can be learned it is a very rare thing to see or hear of them coming up to the wharf with a vessel and sticking to their post until the rudder actually hauled out of water.

These four fish must have come in with sch. Ingomar, when she came down from Boston Tuesday afternoon, and must have stayed by the rudder all night, while the vessel was lying at the wharf, as well as during the next forenoon.

During the time of the big strike of mackerel on the Cape Shore in June, sch. Thomas S. Gorton, Capt. William H. Thomas, caught a big mackerel in a most unprecedented manner. The vessel must have sailed right through a school, for when she arrived home and hauled out on the ways, there was a big mackerel caught firmly wedged in between the rudder post and port, caught in so tight that it could not be pulled out by hand and had to be cut in pieces to get it out. Just how the fish got caught here is a mystery and the crew seemed unable to account for it.

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**NOVA SCOTIA MACKEREL CATCH.****Fishermen Found It Difficult To Secure Sufficient Barrels and Salt.**

United States Consul General Wilbur at Halifax, in a report to the government, the time of the big strike of mackerel on the Cape Shore, said:

"So prolonged has been the catch so far this season that it puzzles the fishermen to handle it. The supply of barrels being low, fishermen are preparing to pack the mackerel in puncheons, boxes, old boats, or anything else they can find. Other than the shortage of barrels, the only drawback is the supply of salt which is running low in many of the ports along the coast. Rush orders are being sent for a sufficient supply.

"Old fishermen state that never before in their recollection have the mackerel been so numerous as they are at the present time along this coast, and with the fine weather they are reaping a great harvest.

"The mackerel catch of Guysboro, Nova Scotia, this season has been the largest in the last twenty years. Here it is not uncommon for one man to catch from 1200 to 1800 mackerel in his nets, sometimes making as high as \$200 a day.

"The mackerel are first rough dressed on the vessel from which they are caught, then sold and landed and put through another process of dressing, being more carefully prepared and put down in salt brine in barrels of 200 pounds each, containing from 120 to 300 mackerel each, according to the size.

Sch. Speculator was at Provincetown yesterday for harbor.

Sch. Theodore Roosevelt, Capt. John O'Brien, was at Boston yesterday with 4000 fresh mackerel, mostly large, selling at 20 cents each for large and 10 cents each for mediums.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins was in here yesterday afternoon with 1500 large fresh mackerel.

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**Good Market for Horse Mackerel.**

The trap men in the provinces have found a good market at Boston for the hitherto useless horse mackerel taken in their traps Wednesday, eight big ones, averaging over 400 pounds each, came on the Yarmouth steamer, and yesterday morning four more were received from the same source. One of the fish received yesterday weighed considerably over 500 pounds. The fish are sold at a price nearly equal to that paid for swordfish, and are shipped to New York and other centers where the Italian population is numerous.

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**THINK WELL OF IT.****Haddockers May Soon Carry Wireless Telegraphy Outfit.****Sch. Vanessa of Boston Expected To Be the Pioneer.**

Wireless telegraphy on fishing vessels is the latest idea of fishing masters and owners, who hope by it to remove some of the many dangers to which the fishermen are exposed while out on the banks.

Capt. Val O'Neill of the Boston sch. Vanessa is one of those who have been impressed with the possibilities of the wireless, and it is said he will try it on his schooner when she returns from the trip on which she started yesterday.

One of the features that makes the captains look with favor upon the idea of wireless telegraphy on board is that a simple arrangement can be carried on the dories in foggy weather, by which they can signal the schooners, and be located when they lose their bearings.

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**HARD TO BEAT.****Sch. Mary E. Cooney Stocks \$3360 on Two Shore Trips.****Crew Shared \$115 for Little Over Two Weeks Work.**

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, Capt. Frank Cooney, stocked \$1700 as the result of her recent fresh fish fare landed part at Boston and part here, the crew sharing \$60.

On her trip before this one, the Cooney stocked \$1660, the crew sharing \$55, thus making a stock of \$3360, and a share of \$115 in two days over two weeks. When it comes to market fishing, they all have to reckon with Capt. Frank Cooney.

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**WE HAVE A RIVAL.****Lunenburg Looking for Honors as Banner Fish Town.**

Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, is claiming to be a rival of Gloucester, as the port handling the most fish in North America. During the week ending June 6 reports are available for 19 vessels of the Lunenburg fishing fleet, which shows that these vessels caught 15,150 quintals, of 112 pounds each of fish, which were worth at that time \$6.50 a quintal, representing a harvest of \$98,457, an average for the week for each vessel engaged of about 800 quintals, or \$6000.

At Riverport, Nova Scotia, the catch is also far above the average. Reports from 14 schooners fishing off the banks show that they have caught 13,300 quintals of 112 pounds each, valued at \$56,650, an average of over \$4000 for each vessel.

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**NATURE'S LITTLE SHIP.****A Curious Jellyfish Endowed With a Movable Sail.**

While man makes the largest ocean vessels, nature makes the smallest. This is a species of jellyfish, found only in tropical seas, which has a sail.

The part of the fish under the water looks like a mass of tangled threads, while the sail is a tough membrane, shaped like a shell and measuring quite five inches and sometimes more across. The fish can raise or lower this sail at will.

Wise sailors let this curiosity of nature alone, for each of the threads composing its body has the power of stinging, the results of which are very painful and often dangerous. This power defends it from porpoises, albatrosses and other natural enemies.

It has no other means of locomotion than its sail, and when seen skimming bravely along the surface of the water it looks more like a child's toy boat than a living creature out in search of food.—London Saturday Review.

**Money in Dogfish.**

We hope the fishermen will derive some satisfaction from the campaign the state authorities have opened against the dogfish. The dogfish is one of the raiders of the deep. That's a fact. He is getting more numerous, which is another bad fact. Britons who have chased the dogfish before now tell us that it multiplies more rapidly than the Igorrotes. "As many as 20,000 have been caught at a time, and their consequent destructiveness can readily be imagined. The young are born alive, two at a time, and but in very rapid succession for prolonged periods. The flesh, though coarse, is sometimes eaten; and the eggs are said to be appreciated. The liver yields oil."

"The livers yield oil." Presumably the dogfish that is plaguing the Massachusetts fisherman is livered like the dogfish across the sea. Why doesn't the Massachusetts fisherman make it worth his while to go after dogfish liver oil?

Where the dogfish began to worry the fishermen along the Pacific coast, the worried promptly turned to their nature books and found that dogfish liver oil was rather valuable. Since then the dogfish has contributed his share to the profits of the Pacific fisheries.

The Massachusetts authorities might make a recommendation on this point before they go any farther and tell the fishermen to get busy. They can make money and the state save it.—Boston Journal.

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Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, Rips, 1500 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Patriot, Rips, 50,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Almeida, Rips, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Teazer, Georges, halibut, 18,000 lbs. halibut, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Theodore Roosevelt, via Boston, 15 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Eglantine, seining.

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, Rips, 2 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Emily Cooney, via Boston.

Sch. Henrietta G. Morton, shore.

Sch. Emily Sears, via Boston.

Sloop Azorean, shore.

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cts.

**Boston.**

Sch. Lear C., 26 swordfish.

Sch. Tecumseh, 33 swordfish.

Sch. Fish Hawk, 2000 haddock, 21,000

cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 41 swordfish.

Sch. Dorcas, 31 swordfish.

Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan 26 swordfish.

Haddock \$2.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.25

market cod, \$2.50; swordfish, 9 cts. per lb.

Aug. 1.

**FORTY VESSELS WRECKED.**

St. Johns, Aug. 1.—Reports from Labrador indicate that at least forty fishing vessels were wrecked in the northeaster which swept that coast early this week. All but three men of the crews reached shore, but fully 400 of these were without food or shelter for several days and their sufferings were severe. Cruiser Fiona, with St. William MacGregor on board, is now known to have weathered the northeaster safely.

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**Good Shark Trip.**

Sch. Effie M. Morrissey arrived here yesterday from Brown's bank with a good fare, 160,000 pounds of fresh fish.